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SUBJ: WHEAT/ FLOUR PROBLEM

REFS: (A) LA PAZ 2037; (B) LA PAZ 1945

1. DURING RECEPTION AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE APRIL 11, SUB-
SECRETARY COMMERCE ZAMORANO DISCUSSED AT LENGTH WITH ECONOFF
AND MORE BRIEFLY WITH AMBASSAODR, DIRE STRAITS GOB NOW ENTERING
DUE SHORT- TERM FLOUR SUPPLY PROBLEM. ZAMORANO GAVE MUCH GREATER
EMPHASIS TO ESTIMATE MILLS WOULD BE WITHOUT WHEAT WITHIN 15 DAYS
(ABOUT APRIL 25) THAN IN EARLIER CONVERSATION IN MININD/ COM
ORMACHEA'S OFFICE. (PARAS 6 AND 7 OF REF A). HE NOW BELIEVES
THAT EMERGENCY MEASURES MUST BE TAKEN ALONG LINES RESORTED TO
IN OCTOBER, 1972 JUST BEFORE DEVALUATION, WHEN GOB ASKED FOR
FLOUR AIRLIFT.

2. WHEN ECONOFF ASKED WHY GOB HAD NOT MOVED FASTER TO BRING IN
PL-480 WHEAT AND BRING ITS NEGOTIATIONS WITH ARGENTINA TO
SATISFACTORY CONCLUSION, ZAMORANO REPLIED LACK OF SHIPPING HAD
BEEN MAJOR PROBLEM FOR USWHEAT AND GOA APPEARED SLOW OR UNWILLING
TO TAKE ANY DECISIONS AS LAME- DUCK GOVERNMENT. (IN EARLIER
CONVERSATIONS MININD/ COM OFFICIALS STATED DIFFICULTIES IN WORKING
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OUT SUBSIDY ARRANGEMENTS DELAYED PLACING ORDERS. SEE PARA 4 REF B).

3. ZAMORANO SAID ABOUT 3,000 M. T. WHEAT HELD IN CHILEAN PORTS NOW MISSING. CLAIMED THIS LOSS PLGELY TO SERVE ONLY TO MAKE THIS AGREEMENT CONSISTENT WITH FIRST. UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED, MISSION WILL PROCEED WITH SIGNING AGREEMENT INCORPORATING ABOVE CHANGES SOON AS ICRC READY, WHICH MISSION HOPES CAN BE APRIL 16. RIMESTAD

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